

SENATE BILL NO. 706

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Transportation

on February 3, 2022)

(Patron Prior to Substitute--Senator Marsden)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-803.2, relating to trucks;
operation in certain weather conditions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-803.2 as follows:****§ 46.2-803.2. Operation of heavy trucks in certain weather conditions.**

A. When driving a truck or truck and trailer or semitrailer combination with a gross weight rating
greater than 26,000 pounds during active snow, sleet, or freezing rain, the operator:

1. Shall, if reasonably possible and conditions safely permit, drive the vehicle in the right-most
lane of any highway having two or more lanes in each direction;

2. Shall not utilize cruise control; and

3. Shall not utilize compression release engine brakes.

B. This section shall not apply to the operation of pickup trucks or panel trucks.

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